Publication of Vacancies in certain Local Newspapers to be terminated from 31st December 1931.

READ—

Government Order No. 4554-55—C. R. B. 1-30-3, dated 25th April 1931, directing that arrangements made for the publication of vacancies notified in the *Mysore Gazette* by the Central Recruitment Board, in the marginally noted newspapers on the honorarium noted against each, be continued for another year from 1st July 1931, the cost on this account being met from the budget provision of Rs. 500 made under the Central Recruitment Board.

		Rs.	
(1)	The Bangalore Times ...	120	per annum.
(2)	The Alkalam ...	100	,,
(3)	The Chitragupta ...	100	,,
(4)	The Vokkaligara Patrike ...	60	,,
(5)	The Kurubara ,, ...	60	,,
(6)	The Viswabandhu ,, ...	60	,,

ORDER No. 2746-57—C. R. B. 12-31-1, DATED 13TH NOVEMBER 1931.

Government are pleased to direct that the arrangements referred to in their order read above, be terminated from 31st December 1931.

H. V. RAMASVAMI,
Secretary to Government,
General Department.

FINANCIAL SECRETARIAT.

Retrenchments in the Public Health Department.

READ—

The report of the Mysore Retrenchment Committee 1931, proposing among other things, certain retrenchments in the Public Health Department.

2. Correspondence ending with letter No. C. 731-10, dated the 23rd September 1931, from the Director of Health in Mysore, stating that with the reduced grant allowed for his Department in the current year's budget combined with the retrenchments since ordered, his budget has been very finely cut and that there is no possibility of effecting further retrenchment.

ORDER NO. FL. 3418-21—G. F. 101-31-1, DATED 18TH NOVEMBER 1931.

The Retrenchment Committee have proposed a reduction of expenditure in the Health Department under various heads to the extent of Rs. 27,686.

The normal grants have already been reduced to the extent shown below while framing the budget of the Department for the current year :—

Public Health Institute.

	Rs.
Apparatus and Chemicals	1,000
Contingencies	1,500
Refrigerating Plant	1,400

Vaccine Institute.

Cost of Calves and Experimental Animals	1,500
Feeding Charges	200
Contingencies	900
Total ..	6,500

Out of the three Health Probationers sanctioned in Government Order No. G. 2060-80—Sany. 89-28-2, dated the 10th August 1929, there is only one now working as such. It is proposed to withdraw him also with effect from 1st November 1931, and post him to the charge of the Bureau of Health Education without extra cost. The result of this arrangement will be a saving of Rs. 210 on a clerk on Rs. 30 and saving of Rs. 230 on travelling allowance or a total of Rs. 440.

In addition to this, orders have issued in Government Proceedings No. G. 12052-3—Sany. 80-30-3, dated the 4th June 1931, sanctioning a reduction of expenditure amounting to Rs. 10,416 under salaries and establishment in the Public Health Department. Orders have also issued in Government Order No. Fl. 2320-70—S. & A. 123-31-1, dated 2nd October 1931, abolishing the duty allowance of Rs. 50 attached to each of the six District Medical Officers for attending to the Health work of six Districts, effecting a savings of Rs. 2,400 during the current year.

The net result is that a sum of Rs. 19,756 will have been saved in the expenditure of the Department during the current year.

Under the recent orders of Government directing that a cut of 25 per cent should be made under travelling allowance and that the strictest scrutiny should be exercised over contingent expenditure in all Departments, it is anticipated that a substantial further saving would be effected in this department also.

In these circumstances, Government agree with the Director of Health that there is very little scope for further retrenchments in a developing department like that of the Public Health.

Government, however, wish to impress upon the Director of Health the necessity to eschew all avoidable expenditure and to limit it to the minimum requirements consistent with safety to the maintenance of Public Health.

B. SRINIVASA IYENGAR,
Secretary to Government,
Financial Department.

Fixing a monthly limit of Travelling Allowance to the several classes of Officers.

READ AGAIN—

Circular No. Fl. 9926-976—G. F. 216-30-1, dated the 30th June 1931, issuing instructions among others, in the matter of economising the provisions made for travelling allowance in the Budget Estimates of 1931-32.

2. Government Order No. Fl. 466-540—S. & A. 22-31-2, dated 16th July 1931, revising the rates and rules regarding the grant of travelling allowance.

3. Government Order No. Fl. 1795-1850—G. F. 54-31-1, dated 14th September 1931, reducing the current year's grant for ordinary travelling allowance by 25 per cent and for fixed travelling allowance by 20 per cent.

4. Recommendations of the Mysore Retrenchment Committee in regard to the reduction of expenditure on travelling allowance.

ORDER NO. FL. 3489-548—S. & A. 168-31-1, DATED 23RD NOVEMBER 1931.

The Retrenchment Committee have commented on the rapid increase of travelling allowance charges and have made several recommendations for economising expenditure in this direction.

2. Their proposals regarding the revision of the rates and rules of travelling allowance have already been considered and approved by Government and orders have been issued in the Government Order of 16th July 1931 read above.

3. As a further measure of arresting the growth of expenditure under travelling allowance, the Committee have discussed the desirability of extending the system of grant of fixed travelling allowance generally to all touring officers but have considered it necessary that examination should be made of the financial effects of the reduction in the rates now introduced, before arriving at a decision in this behalf. It is suggested that in the meantime, a tentative arrangement may be adopted of fixing a maximum monthly limit for each particular class of officers.

Government are pleased to accept this recommendation. The proposed arrangement has already been sanctioned in Government Order No. 1562-71—L. R. 39-31-6, dated 1st—2nd October 1931, for regulating the travelling allowance of the District Officers in the Revenue Department.

Government now direct that it be extended to officers in all departments of the State.

4. The following will be the provisional monthly limits applicable to the several classes of officers other than those who are exempted from the operation of the rule contained in Article 539 A. Mysore Service Regulations :—

Designation and Class of Officers	Rate of Daily allowance	Maximum monthly limit of travelling allowance under ordinary rules and rates
	Rs. a. p.	Rs.
Class I. Revenue Commissioner, Chief Conservator of Forests, Chief Engineer (Public Works Department) and Inspector-General of Police.	7 8 0	200
Class II. All other Heads of Departments and all Officers on salary not below Rs. 800.	7 8 0 and 5 0 0	150
Class III. Officers whose salary is Rs. 250 or more and is below Rs. 800.	4 0 0	100
Class IV. Officers whose salary is Rs. 150 or more but is less than 250.	1 14 0 to 3 2 0	50
Class V. All other touring officers ..	up to 1 14 0	35

5. With a view to minimise correspondence with Government, the Heads of Departments, specified in Appendix R of Mysore Service Regulations, are empowered to countersign the travelling allowance bills of the officers subject to their control where they exceed the maximum limits prescribed above. It should however, be distinctly understood that sanction by Heads of Departments should be accorded only in cases where the limit is exceeded for unavoidable reasons. The Comptroller is competent under Standing Orders to bring to the notice of Government, cases involving unnecessary and excessive expenditure under travelling allowance.

6. This order will have effect from 1st November 1931, and be in force for one year for the present.

B. SRINIVASA IYENGAR,
Secretary to Government,
Financial Department.

Reduction of Expenditure on the Mysore Iron Works.

READ—

Paragraph 9 of Government Order No. Fl. 3081-140—G. F. 90-31-1, dated 2nd November 1931, stating that separate orders will issue regarding retrenchments in the salaries of the staff employed on the Mysore Iron Works.

2. Letter No. Ref. B. 287-31, dated 14th October 1931, from the General Manager, Mysore Iron Works, reporting that the Board of Management have, with a view to reducing the losses on the current operations of the Works, decided to give effect to the following measures of retrenchment:—

(1) Commencing from 1st November 1931, the operation of the Retorts and Chemical Plant to be completely stopped and the furnace run on charcoal obtained by burning in the forests and at the railhead. The daily rated staff of the Retorts and the Chemical Plant to be completely disbanded as also a part of the staff in the Wood-yard, Yard Switching, Boilers and Tramways, but as far as possible, work to be found for the monthly rated staff in the Departments that continue to operate. This is expected to result in a saving of Rs. 1,200 a month.

(2) (a) From the 1st October, the salaries of the monthly rated staff have been reduced on the following scale, resulting in a saving of Rs. 1,480 per mensem:—

Monthly rated staff.	*Deduction.*
	Rs. a. p.
General Manager	200 0 0 a month
Works Manager	100 0 0 Do
Mining Superintendent	75 0 0 Do
Rs. 300 to 410.	10% of salary
„ 101 to 300	6¼% (adjusted to the nearest rupee)
„ 86 to 100	5 0 0 a month
„ 66 to 85	4 0 0 Do
„ 48 to 65	3 0 0 Do
„ 35 to 47	2 0 0 Do
„ 26 to 32–8–0	1 8 0 Do
„ 14 to 25	1 0 0 Do
Below Rs. 14	0 8 0 Do

(*b*) With effect from 1st November 1931, the wages of the daily rated staff to be reduced on the following scales yielding a saving of Rs. 2,385 per mensem:—

Daily wages.	*Deduction.*
Above Rs. 2 0 0	annas 2 6 a day
From Rs. 1 9 0 to Rs. 2 0 0	„ 2 0 „
„ Re. 1 1 0 to Rs. 1 8 0	„ 1 6 „
„ Re. 0 10 0 to Re. 1 0 0	„ 1 0 „
Re. 0 9 0 and below	„ 0 6 „

3. Economies are also proposed to be made in miscellaneous items of expenditure, resulting in a further savings of Rs. 2,725 per mensem and by reducing staff costing Rs. 1,200 per mensem.

ORDER NO. FL. 3579-81—G. F. 90-31-4, DATED 25TH NOVEMBER 1931.

Recorded.

The net result of the retrenchments proposed is a saving of Rs. 7,790 a month.

B. SRINIVASA IYENGAR,
Secretary to Government,
Financial Department.

Passing Orders on the Continuance or Abolition of certain Allowances.

READ—

Government Order No. Fl. 2320-70—S. & A. 123-31-1, dated 2nd October 1931, passing orders on the continuance, abolition or reduction of Duty and other Allowances granted to Gazetted Officers.

2. Letter No. 174—G.A.D., dated 27th October 1931—2nd November 1931, from the Comptroller, bringing to notice of Government, certain cases of allowances not dealt with in the Government Order read above, and reporting that the said allowances will not be passed in audit from 1st October 1931, pending receipt of specific orders of Government regarding them and enquiring from what date the post of the Under Secretary to Government, Finance Department, should be considered as abolished.

ORDER NO. FL. 3592-640—S. & A. 123-31-15, DATED 25TH NOVEMBER 1931.

Government are pleased to direct that the allowances mentioned in the annexure to this order be continued or abolished as indicated therein. The modifications herein sanctioned will have effect from 1st October 1931.

2. Separate orders will issue as regards the date from which the post of Under Secretary, Finance, should be considered as abolished.

B. SRINIVASA IYENGAR,
Secretary to Government,
Financial Department.